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C O N F I D E N T I A L L O M E 0052

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, TO, DM

SUBJ: IMPOUNDMENT BY DAHOMEY OF TOGOLESE HELICOPTER

REF: LOME 0040

1. FRENCH EMBASSY OFFICER TOLD AMBASSADOR 6 JANUARY THAT TOGOLESE ARMY HELICOPTER (REFTEL) STILL BEING HELD BY DAHOMEANS. FRENCH PILOT DADA WAS NOT LITERALLY UNDER ARREST BUT HAD NOT BEEN ALLOWED TO LEAVE COTONOU, WHERE HE IS BILLETED IN HOTEL.

2. ALTHOUGH FRENCH HERE WERE AT FIRST INCLINED TO BLAME EYADEMA FOR SENDING HELICOPTER INTO DAHOMEY WITHOUT CLEARANCE, THEY SAY THEY BECAME LESS CRITICAL WHEN THEY LEARNED THAT DARBOUX HAD BEEN SENT BY PRESIDENT KEREKOU TO LAMA KARA EXPRESSLY TO SEE EYADEMA AND OBTAIN ANSWERS TO A LIST OF QUESTIONS. EYADEMA WAS THUS, THEY BELIEVE, JUSTIFIED IN THINKING HIS ACT OF RETURNING DARBOUX BY HELICOPTER HE PERSONALLY USES WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
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